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1. Movements of Bulgarian infantry and artillery troops on foot and in vehicles toward the western border were observed in the Vidin-Belogradchik area during the first half of May 1950. It was rumored [REDACTED] that these troops were to be employed in the area of the Bulgarian-Yugoslav border.

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2. Railroad cars loaded with guns, apparently including rocket launchers; were seen at an unspecified railroad station near Sofia in mid-May. [REDACTED] Soviet troops had arrived in Bulgaria. \*

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3. Motorized troops moved through the outskirts of Sofia in mid-May. They could not be identified as Bulgarian or Soviet. [REDACTED] generally thought the movements to be in connection with Soviet action against Tito.

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4. Shipments of troops and materiel frequently passed through Kyustendil in May, proceeding toward the border. Officers wearing Soviet uniforms were observed among the troops. They were the first Soviet officers seen in the area.

5. A state of emergency has been proclaimed in Kyustendil for some time. Since all electric power is switched off at 2200 hours, it is not possible to give an account of troops moving through the town at night. [REDACTED]

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6. Bulgarian military vehicles appeared increasingly in the Sofia and western border areas in the last days of May. Bulgarian military personnel and Soviet officers, the latter reported for the first time, were seen in the vehicles.

[REDACTED] Comment: Reports from other areas indicate definite possibility of Soviet troops in Bulgaria.

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